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PUC approves pact to close Edison dump

The Department of Environmental Protection's agreement with the owners of the Kin Buc landfill in Edison to permanently close the 30-acre Kin Buc I site was approved yesterday by the State Board of Public Utility Commissioners.

The agreement, signed last month by lawyers for the DEP and Kin Buc, calls for all dumping to stop by Jan. 15.

The DEP and PUC have joint jurisdiction over sanitary landfills.

The settlement includes provisions for environmental safeguards to be installed after the dump is closed.

John Van Dalen, a deputy attorney general for the DEP, said yesterday the settlement has also been approved by Commissioner David Bardin.

Bardin and PUC Commissioners Joel Jacobson and Richard McGlynn had ordered hearings in July on allegations Kin Buc was violating environmental regulations and should be closed.

No testimony was presented at the hearings on the alleged violations because the settlement was reached. However, the hearings continued to consider alternate sites for dumping solid, liquid, chemical and hazardous wastes which were dumped at Kin Buc I.

Only solid waste has been dumped at the site since July.

Hearing Examiner Harold Kaplan yesterday asked the DEP to provide information on where and how the chemical and hazardous wastes formerly dumped at Kin Buc are now handled.

The DEP says it does not have the information.